

**Flathead County  
EMS Advisory Committee  
August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010**

**Attendees:**

Kris Long	Kent Hill (ARES)	John Leach
Mary Granger	Neil Heino (KRMCMC)	Lincoln Chute (FSA)
Jerry Thornburg	Scott Sampey	Bill Norton
Rocco Altobelli	Peggy Miller	Chuck Curry
James Brower	Amanda Norenberg	Walter Tabb (Coram/W. Glacier)
Darla Katzenmeyer	David Mercer (CISM)	Doug Scarff
Russell Sappington	Ed Burlingame	

Called to Order 18:02

Agenda Approved

Minutes Approved for July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Training Committee Report (Rocco)

Rocco explained that there has not been a meeting to report since the last Committee meeting. The EMS office is in the process of hiring instructors for the fall training schedule. The announcements have been posted for the First Responder Refresher and the Paramedic Refresher. Rocco expressed the invitation for feedback to the EMS office and or himself at [rocco@alpineinstitute.net](mailto:rocco@alpineinstitute.net).

Operations Committee Report (John)

John Leach explained the Operations Committees efforts towards finalizing the runcards in the CAD system. The Committee is also working on the "Plan" for Flathead County EMS.

EMS Manager's Report (Mary)

Mary explained that the EMS Administrative Board will begin meeting at EMS agencies throughout the County to further the Boards education of the system. The August 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting will be held at the Whitefish Emergency Operations Center.

Mary informed the Committee of the addition of a Google Calendar link on the [Flathead.mt.gov/ems](http://Flathead.mt.gov/ems) website. The Calendar will include all training dates for both fire and EMS and also meeting and other important dates.

Also posted on the webpage is the new ALS protocols adopted by Dr. Briles. These protocols have also been distributed to the ALS agencies and providers. The EMS office staff will begin adopting the BLS protocols to a format that will include all levels of care in the upcoming months.

CISM Funding (David Mercer)

David Mercer was available to explain the necessary funding needed to continue the CISM team. The Flathead County Crisis Support Team (FCCST) is a group of professional volunteers from various EMS,

Fire, LE, SAR and other professional county services who are interested in preventing and mitigating the negative impact of stress on themselves and those who serve in EMS, Fire, LE, and SAR.

### **Budget**

i. Team Training and Continuing Education	
1. Registration (7 active team members)	\$2450
2. Housing (2 nights)	\$1050
3. Food	\$ 350
4. Transportation	\$ 300
5. National ICISF Conference (1 member)	\$1,800
a. Or host small conference	
6. TOTAL Training	\$5,950
ii. Pre-crisis Training	
1. Books / Materials / Memberships	\$ 350
2. TOTAL Pre-crisis Training	\$350
iii. Administrative	
1. Printing	\$ 300
2. Communications	\$ 100
3. Uniform	\$ 250
4. Equipment / Supplies	\$ 400
5. Stipend per activation	\$2,400
a. \$50 for local team member	
b. \$100 for mutual aid team member	
6. TOTAL Administrative	\$3,450
iv. Budget Total	
TOTAL Training and Administrative	\$9,750

#### Rocky Mountain Rural Trauma Symposium (Neil Heino)

Neil presented to the Committee asking for support for the Rocky Mountain Rural Trauma Symposium. No immediate request for funding was requested, however future funding request was asked to be considered.

The Symposium is scheduled for September 22 and 23rd, 2011 at the Red Lion in Kalispell. We hope to have an attendance of approx. 250 to 300 medical providers.

September 21 the Trauma systems conference will also be held for Hospital Trauma Providers.

The request was for future funding to EMS providers in flathead county to have the ability to attend the course without cost or at least partial reimbursement of fees.

The cost of attending the two day symposium currently is approx. \$100 per participant, and it is anticipated that the cost will be approximately the same in 2011.

The amount of \$10,000 was an estimated funding goal. That would allow 100 EMS providers to attend at no cost.

Fire Service Area Funding (Lincoln Chute)

Lincoln expressed the need for funding to agencies that respond into the Fire Service area for EMS calls. This funding is to reimburse those agencies for fuel and vehicle wear and tear. Lincoln explained the use of the State DNRC rates when reimbursing these agencies as a possible solution.

MOTION to secure \$1,000.00 to compensate the agencies responding into the Fire Service Area until November, Leach

SECOND, Katzenmeyer

Discussion followed

Denied

The Chair designated a committee to discuss this issue and return with a recommendation at the September meeting:

Russ Sappington, Chair

Lincoln Chute

Mary Granger

Doug Scarff

Other Business

Mary Granger suggested moving the regular meeting date and time from 1800 on the first Monday of the month to 1730 on the second Monday of the month to coordinate with the Chiefs Meeting at 1900.

The Chair Kris Long agreed and changed the regular scheduled meetings to the second Monday of each month at 1730.

Meeting Adjourned at 1930

Next meeting: September 13th @ 1730 FECC